



PATENT  
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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Ghassan SEMAAN	Conf.:	4433
Appl. No.:	09/658,778	Group:	2662
Filed:	September 11, 2000	Examiner:	A. ELALLAM
For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PARTITIONING SONET FRAMES INTO LOGICAL CHANNELS TO OPTIMIZE BANDWIDTH UTILIZATION		

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P.O. Box 1450  
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September 29, 2004

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MS NO FEE AMENDMENT  
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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 29, 2004, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification beginning on page 2;
- Amendments to claims beginning on page 3; and
- Remarks/Arguments beginning on page 9.